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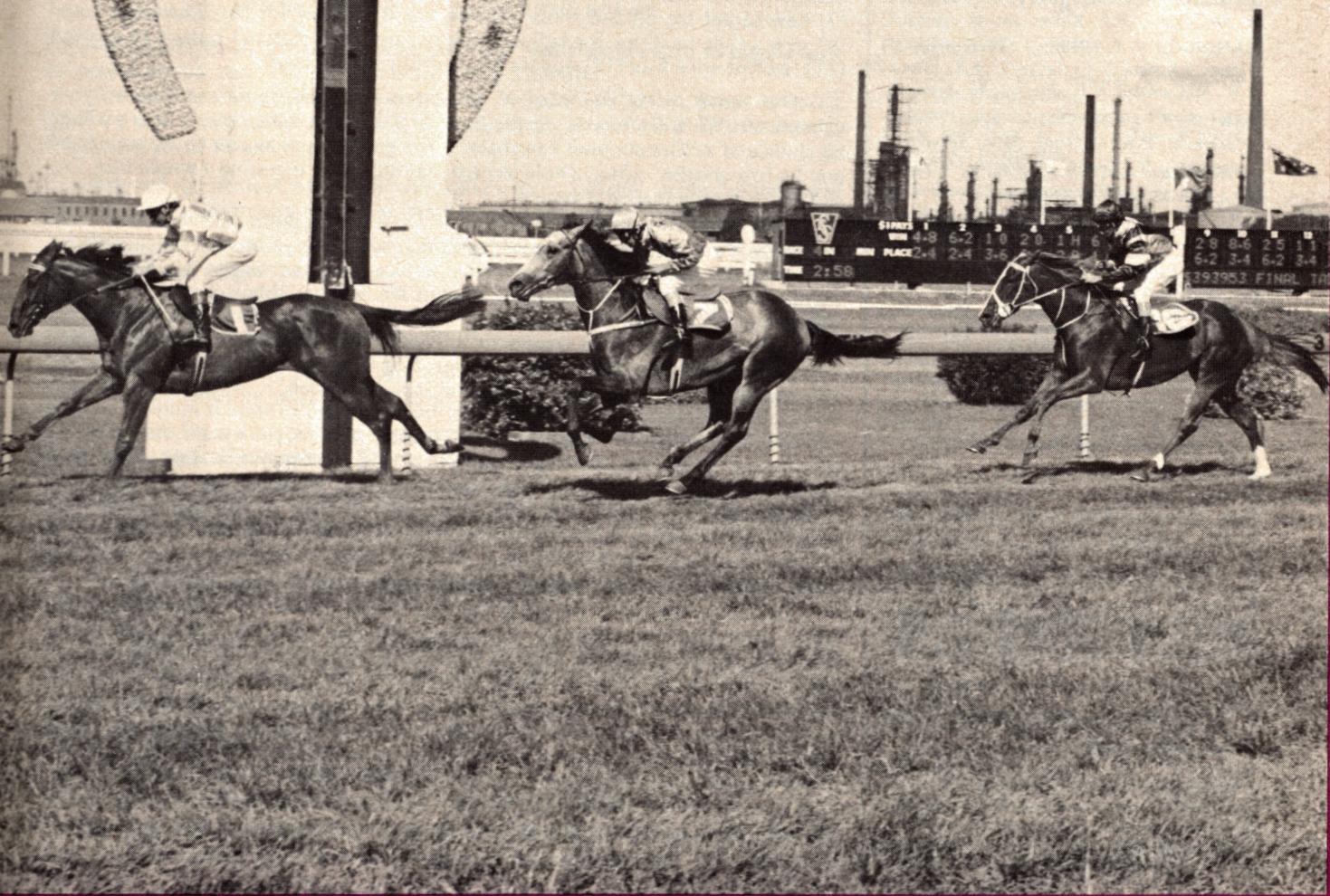
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# Chairman's Message

Our Financial Year ended on the 28th February. During March it gave me great pleasure to sign a cheque in favour of The Bank of N.S.W. reducing our overdraft by fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000). This overdraft we inherited from the sixties. That committee had "visions splendour" which never eventuated and it suffered from a kind of disease which at the time they called lack of money. The interest saved is the equivalent of three hundred and thirty members subscriptions.

At our last Annual Meeting the Balance Sheet disclosed a loss exceeding sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000), I stated that we would show a profit for the next financial year and there was no chance of the members subscriptions being increased for 1978. After the meeting a member told me I was a born optimist. The subscription has not been increased and I am waiting with confidence for the Audited Balance Sheet. To me an optimist is a girl who mistakes a bulge for a curve.

Your Committee is at present doing the estimates for the next 12 months. The club building is now 50 years old, it is your property and it is our duty to maintain and preserve it in first class condition. At the same time we must seek to improve existing facilities. Matters for consideration are (1) repairs to air conditioning units on the 2nd and 4th floors — marked deterioration (2) installation of axial vent exhaust system to remove steam from pool area (3) replace interior shell in existing steam generators in boiler room (4) replacement of drapes in areas such as lounge, 1st floor bar (5) renovations to bedrooms, function room and gymnasium (6) new reading room for members (7) new carpet for billiard room (8) new wood flooring for No. 2 handball court (9) new toilet facilities for ladies 1st floor level (10) material repairs to kitchen (11) re-print wine lists (12) update beer refrigeration system.

The above is not in order of priority which will be determined by your Committee. We will proceed on the basis of "One Dog One Bone". There will be no chance of a "Grasshopper Approach". The grasshopper as you know hops from one leaf to another eating a hole in each leaf but never digesting a whole leaf. The world is full of human grasshoppers.

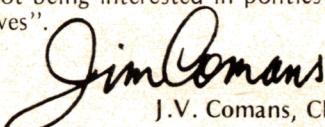
I am frequently asked by members "Do I have a book of quotations?" the answer is "No". I have a library of books on Philosophy, a subject which gives me great mental satisfaction. From these books I extract words of wisdom for example in my previous message I quoted Dr. Samuel Johnson who wrote "He who praises everybody praises nobody". However a lot of aphorisms you pick up here and there, others you amend to suit your need and others you just invent. I have never read the above phrase "One Dog One Bone" however look at the philosophy of it. Give a dog a bone and it is contented, it systematically removes every piece of meat; throw one bone to two dogs and to state it mildly you have bedlam. Early this year a great deal of trouble was caused by a 2 year old filly refusing to enter the starting box. The radio commentator said "She is as cantankerous as a — ". And was then lost for a simile. I said to myself "As cantankerous as a hose". Can you recall washing your car through a hose, you place the hose down, it refuses to stay where you placed it but moves around like a snake and ends up washing you. However always remember that "Solomon made a book of proverbs, but a book of proverbs never made a Solomon".

The Club has been informed by the various wine distributors of a price increase varying from 5% to 8%. I am pleased to state that this increase will not be passed on to members, the price of wine in the dining room will remain as is. We have a most varied wine list, please compare the prices when you dine away from the Club. We now have our own House Wine about which we have received excellent reports. The label reads "Tattersall's Club" with our insignia and motto "Honor Et Amicitia", you can purchase any quantity you wish on the 1st floor. There is a nice carry away pack of two red or two white or one red and one white at a cost of \$5 per pack. Sales to date are excellent. Speaking of wine George Bernard Shaw said "A mind of the calibre of mine cannot derive its nutriment from cows".

Always remember

"The penalty that good men pay for not being interested in politics is to be governed by people worse than themselves".

With every good wish,

  
J.V. Comans, Chairman

# STC GOLDEN SLIPPER DAY SUCCESS



Governor, Sir Roden-Cutler making the presentation to Owner Mr. J.M. Seccull. Trainer Bon Hoysted and Jockey Gary Willetts look on.

Congratulations to all the parties who put their best foot forward to stage a very successful Slipper day. The result was a training triumph.

The occasion was almost too much for Melbourne trainer "Bon" Hoysted when he saw Manikato explode away from his rivals to win the \$150,000 Golden Slipper Stakes at Rosehill.

Hoysted, a member of one of Australia's most famous racing families, was close to tears when he saw Manikato come back to the winner's stall.

Manikato (7-2) beat Smokey Jack (20-1) by a length, with a further 2½ lengths to Jewel Flight (14-1) third.

Manikato, who had never been on the Rosehill racecourse before, had the Slipper won more than 300m from the finish.

It was a scintillating performance and Manikato, a bargain yearling, ran right up to the brilliance he showed in winning the Blue Diamond Stakes at Caulfield.

Manikato, in a lively betting race, firmed from 9-2 to start 7-2 favourite, the equal longest-priced favourite in Slipper history.

There is no doubt, however, that if Manikato had raced in Sydney and won before he contested the Slipper he would have gone to the post a short-priced favourite.

Manikato was announced as a non-Slipper runner, after he had won the Blue Diamond Stakes.

Hoysted said he had the gelding's owner, Mr. J.M. (Malcolm) Seccull to thank for the decision to bring Manikato to Sydney for the Golden Slipper Stakes.

It was a lucrative change of plans as Manikato earned his owner \$90,000 in stakes plus trophies valued at \$1,400.

Manikato's total earnings now stand at \$152,000 and he will pass the \$200,000 mark if he gets his chance in the AJC Sires' Produce Stakes.

Manikato ran the 1200m in 1 minute 10.7 seconds, which has been bettered only once, by Luskin Star, who ran 1 minute 10 seconds last year.

Hoysted, who has trained the winners of most of the feature races in Melbourne, was quick to declare that the Slipper triumph was his biggest thrill in racing.

Manikato was bred in South Australia by Ross Truscott, who has a menswear shop in Adelaide.



## MONEY MADE TO GO ROUND

A commercial traveller dropped into a hotel and said "I'd like to pay a deposit on a room for my booking for Easter Week — here's \$80.00."

The Pub Keeper's doctor walks in and mine host says "Here's the \$80.00 for that minor op. you did on my wife's finger."

The doc stops off at the butcher and pays him \$80.00 for the party barbecue meat bill. The butcher goes to the pub and buys up big, spends the \$80.00 leaving the original cheque with the publican.

The traveller returns and cancels his booking. The hotelier gives him his cheque back.

Interesting isn't it?



## GONE UP TO LUNCH

That car "diff"-looking Centerpoint tower will rise to 308m.

Execs. taking time out for a late lunch will have to add a few minutes extra to go to the top.

MLC building down Quay way sports 68 floors with a top of 250m.

Isn't our concrete jungle catering for a giraffe look at town?



## COP ONE TO BEAT IN GOSFORD

Ex top cop Fred Hanson (now up Terrigal way) seeks political placement. Love the sign in his living room "When you are up to your ass in crocodiles it is difficult to remind yourself that your initial objective was to drain the swamp".



## YOU POOHEY FELLER!

I saw a guy divest himself of his clothing, whack on a pair of V's, sweat it out in the hot room and then plunge directly in our pool on the third — it just not on! — You gotta shower first — P-L-E-A-S-E!



## SHOULD GIRLS WEAR SILKS?

Mr. Geoff Cahill, NSW Counsellor for equal opportunity says "Women should be given the chance to qualify for a Jockeys licence."

"Women ride with men in barrier trials, track work, training and conditioning horses, yet they are excluded from competing with men on race days."

If Geoff gets his way — lookout Malcolm & Ron, there'll be a blonde with a whistle behind you.

. . . OS. BATES

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# *WINING, DINING and CLUB NOTES*

Committee member Arthur McCamley and wife Edna recently had a sojourn in St. Vincent's Private Hospital. Arthur was one end of the corridor and Edna at the other.

Members no doubt noted the couple featured in the magazine at the Christmas Cocktail Party — looking well.

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Popular member Leo O'Sullivan was amongst the winning owners at the Randwick meeting. Quite a gathering celebrating his win with "Imbrium" amongst whom were Jack Laughnan, "Reggie" Hutchinson, Jack O'Neill, Nin and Paddy Barrett and Bill Hannan. Leo's spontaneous laughter could have been heard in Hyde Park.

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Pleasant surprise seeing Pat Murray in the Club during the month, sure must have brought luck as Pat managed to win a few races lately. "Pat is the equal of the maestro Bart Cummings in the training of stayers," says Sam Block — Sammy would know what he's talking about too.

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Dan O'Sullivan, newspaper man that makes the West Australian Newspaper scene fire; joined forces with members Bill Band, Alan Bronsak and Brian Osborne and Ian Faircloth. Its rumoured they were discussing plans for a BIG wedding. The round table talk was at lunch on the 4th floor.

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Businessman Malcolm Seccull owner of that exciting Golden Slipper winner Manikato, appeared to be in deep discussion with Roger Lind, Tom Hartigan and Tattersall's Committeeman Graham Hurst. This happened at the first floor bar whilst the quartet enjoyed a thirst quenching ale or two.

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Walk into Tattersall's Club and you are guaranteed of a friendly "Good day" by ground floor stewards "Joe", "Les" or "Bede". It's nice to have efficient and friendly service of this trio.

Michael and Marianne O'Dea and David and Elizabeth O'Dea entertained their father and mother, Cecil and Joy O'Dea at Tattersall's Club recently, on the occasion of their 40th wedding anniversary.

Their friends and relations gathered together to wish them well and continuance of good health and happiness for many a year to come.

It was a happy night and the skill of the party on the ballroom floor demonstrated that age is no bar to the terpsichorean art.

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Good medicine — Michael Moran entertained the family of Dr. Robyn Yabsley from up Coraki way, — the occasion was celebrating her graduation in Medicine — congrats Robyn on your well earned achievement.

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A happy lunch organised by Mr. Noel Simpson, well known racehorse breeder to celebrate with three school friends from Nelson College, New Zealand. In the party were club members Kel. Bailey and Harry Castle and New Zealand visitor Ross Curtis. Mr Curtis is a former amateur rider and owner in New Zealand, and rode his own horse 'Booloomski' into second place in the Grand National there.

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Jan Carslake, Secretary to Tattersall's Secretary Norman Smith has resigned. Jan has been very efficient and helpful in her work for Tattersall's. We wish her well in her new job which will eventually take her to London.

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Hogan's happy army were in force on the fourth floor. 25 years of celebrating birthday parties at Tattersall's provided great fun for Philippa Hogan's birthday. In the group were Mrs. Muir (Kerry), Mrs. Matthews (Vicki), Mrs. Hancock (Gabrerille), Mrs. Hogan (Josephine), Mrs. Hogan (Desilee).

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Fred Johnson, Peter Kitson, Peter Richardson and Tony Moltzen enjoyed a drink and exchanged advertising chatter. They were spot-lighted by the brilliant sunshine coming through the window on the first floor — a good scene.

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STC Committee member Keith Harris and his wife Betty were at the farm races recently. The boot of the Rolls was open and the champagne was flowing. A lot of Tattersall's members start and finish a happy day of racing at Warwick Farm in this manner.

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Club Member and ex Paddo Cricketer Advertiser Exec. — John ("Fearless") Gilder had a harmless game of cricket up Concord the other weekend. John's son called for a quick run and Pop finished up in Concord Hospital with damage to his heel — if I could get Bill Band to tell me how to spell Achilles I could report it more vividly. (Ed.)

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Terry Forrest dined with his daughter Margaret and son John (soon to head for Study at Uni of Armidale) for a happy evening on the Fourth. Classes clinked as Terry is Rome bound to join Barbara with Ian and Helen Cameron for a flip around Europe.

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Settling day clashed with the Rotary Luncheon last week. The collecting and giving action moved to the front bar area. Bookies (some with poker faces) doing business included Arthur Sing, Arthur Buckley, Ted Martin, Homer Jones and Lenny Burke who had a merry twinkle in his eye — probably a winning smile too.

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Looking sun-tanned and well Syd and Judy White were down from Queensland for the Easter Races. They took time off to enjoy a dinner party with Mrs. Hilda Eastment.

# HANDBALL NOTES

## DOUG SALIER TAKES NOVICE TITLE

The Michael O'Dea sponsored Novice Handball Championship, while not gaining the numbers desired, drew together some classy novices who produced championship class handball.

Peter Carroll (a member of the O'Dea - Baine stable) had the ill-luck to run into Doug Salier in the first round and while he did produce the odd good shot, was eventually defeated 31-14.

Peter said later, "I thought the players in this competition were only novices!" He was assured they were!

Michael Flynn showed plenty of ability in accounting for Les Hams who couldn't gain his fair share of the count and eventually went down 31-14. Michael can only improve further with more practice and he could gain the experience he needs through challengers in the variable handicap competition.

Michael played well in the early stages of his semi-final clash with Doug Salier but Doug steadied his game to gain the lead and go into a relatively easy 31-22 win.

Bob Adams, enjoying a reviviscence of form, played a memorable first round clash against Alan Conolly. The scores see-sawed throughout with Bob enjoying a slight early advantage and as the game proceeded it looked as though he was laying the foundation for eventual victory. There was still plenty of fight left in Alan and playing with more variation gained the lead, held it, and won by two points, 31-29.

by Peter Ashby

Tim O'Donnell-Maher played a close game with Neville Amy, and after an entertaining match Neville proved superior winning 31-27. Les Hams was fortunate to gain a repercharge and drew young Bill Hannan in a first rounder. Bill covers the court well but showed the need for much more practice and Les went on to a 31-14 win.

Les was then matched against Neville Amy who was unable to produce his usual sound all round game. Neville went to mistake to mistake and on to a 31-17 drubbing.

Alan Conolly seemed destined to play hard, close contests on his way to the final and his marathon against Les Hams provided a welcome breathing space for Doug Salier. From the opening skirmishing it appeared as though we would watch a chanceless, steady game with each player striving for the spot in the final. This was so in the early stages but the tempo increased as neither player could gain a decisive break. With Les gaining a slight lead late in the game it seemed as though victory would be his but Alan came back to make it deuce and won 34-32.

The final produced play worthy of the occasion and it was anybody's game in the early twenties. Doug lead but another Alan Conolly fight back could have produced an upset result.

Doug, however, steadied his play and produced a shut out giving him victory, 31-26.

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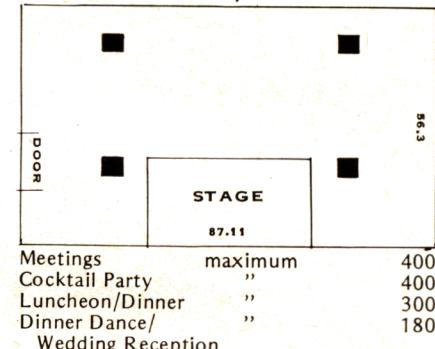
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## MEMBERS STAGE YOUR FUNCTION AT TATTERSALL'S CLUB

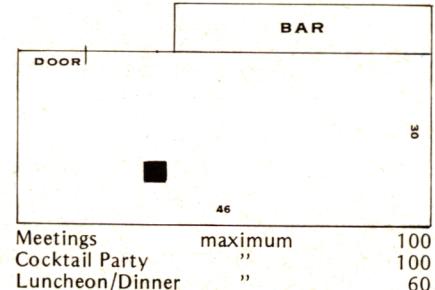
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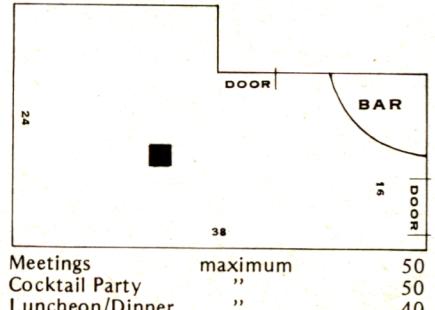
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# Billiards & Snooker

by Syd Lane

In this issue you will find the entry form for the Annual Snooker and Billiards Tournament. These very interesting matches which have become a great feature of our Club activities will take place from early June to late October and are enjoyed by new players and betters nearly as much as the contestants.

As usual there will be a Calcutta Sweep on the Snooker Tournament and I'm sure you will all remember how successful this was last year.

Be sure to complete the entry form and lodge it at the office or front desk, or hand it to any member of the sub-committee on or before Friday, 21st April, which is the closing date.

Your Committee for the Billiards and Snooker John O'Neill, Peter McGrath, John Peoples, Syd Lane and "Digger" Lobb feel confident this will be the biggest ever — be in the fun — make '78 our greatest Tournament.

Now is the time to start practising so good luck to all and good potting!

# A.J.C. Take A Bow!

Racing came back into its own at Randwick when the AJC committee opened its Easter carnival with magnificent horses, exciting racing and excellent promotion.

The programme was worthy of better than the 35,170 crowd. But it was a start on the road back.

The atmosphere was right on Saturday — something that has been missing at Randwick for a long time.

It was obvious that people went not only to bet but also to enjoy themselves. That is why Melbourne Cup day is so successful.

The computer tote is winning more people to the racecourse also. It held slightly more than \$800,000 win and place on the Doncaster alone.

The computer tote is the best thing that has happened to Sydney racing for many years.

It established an Australian record last Saturday with an on-course turnover of \$1,624,000; handling 393,000 individual bets.

The turnover was up 42 per cent on last year's tote investments on Doncaster Day.

# Epicureans

by Peter Ashby

## THE GREEK AFFAIR

A night to rival the "Cadman" journey is the opening course for 1978 to be served up to Tattersall's Epicureans on Tuesday, 18th April at 7.00 p.m.

It promises to provide more titillating delights than the "Athol Brose" at our Scottish night, the mini spring rolls served at our Singaporean night, for the menu includes whole spit-roasted sheep, Greek salads, fetta cheeses, fish dishes prepared to Greek recipes, belawie, tsadiki, tarra-mossalatos, wines, Retsina, Ouzo, Metaxo.

Dance to Greek music provided by bouzoukis as only Zorba did.

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# Australian Soccer Pools Efficient Operation

I answered a request by Club Member Glen Barry, Marketing Manager, to inspect the Australian Soccer Pools operation.

Offices at North Sydney are highly computerised. A handful of people produce the results.

The collection of all weekly coupons must be made by Friday and the transferring of all entries to micro-film.

Three copies are made of the film — one to be sent to Pools in England — one to North Sydney Police Station (for security) — one held at North Sydney office.

The matches are played and the results programmed.

A machine sorts 30,000 entries per hour. Any queried entry forms are inspected manually. The ultimate winners are selected and re-checked against the micro-film.

Machines produce the all important winning payout cheques.

I was pleased to see a friend, the remarkable Sir Hughie Edwards, VC KCMG, CB, DSO, OBE, DFC, KstJ, walk into the boardroom with the renowned cricketer, Tattersall's member Keith Miller accompanied by the charming Lady Edwards.

Keith is a wartime buddy of Hughie.

Keith does an excellent job promoting the Australian Soccer Pools.

Later in the Edwards company at the gracious Union Club lunch, Keith Miller told me the story of a famous watch that has flown all the perilous journeys with the illustrious Hughie.

Sometime during the war "Nugget"

Miller said to Hughie "Bet you a grand your watch has A stroke M on the back!"

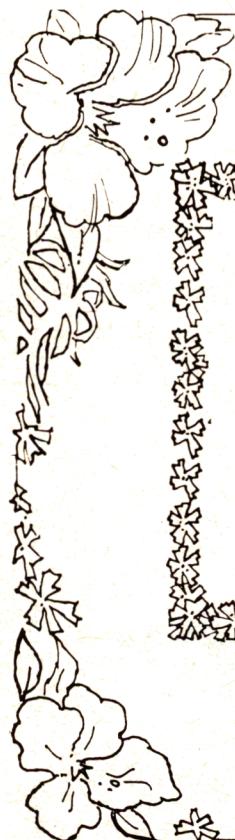
Months later he told Keith he had bequeathed the timepiece to him.

"Look at him Os" said Keith, "He looks so fit I think I'll have to leave my J. Farren Price Watch to him.

— Os. Bates



Lady Edwards, Soccer Pool Marketing Manager Glen Barry, Sir Hughie Edwards, Keith Miller, Os. Bates and Computer Operator.



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# What goes to make a Champion Racehorse?

Peter Pring says he has devoted more than 9,000 hours to the analysis of about 500,000 facts in search of a formula to produce a champion racehorse.

His findings make up his just-published book, Analysis of Champion Racehorses.

Mr. Pring based his study on 100 champion racehorses of Australia and New Zealand.

His analysis on each horse dealt with its racing performances, pedigree, color, sex, Bruce Lowe Family number, family history and whatever else.

The analysis of the 100 champions shows that most came from the sire's third crop.

The third crop contained 21 champions, the first crop had 14, while the sire's second crop had 13.

Likewise, the most likely age for a mare to produce a champion is nine or ten years. Those two ages contained 32 of the 100 champions.

## THE LIKELY DEVELOPMENTS

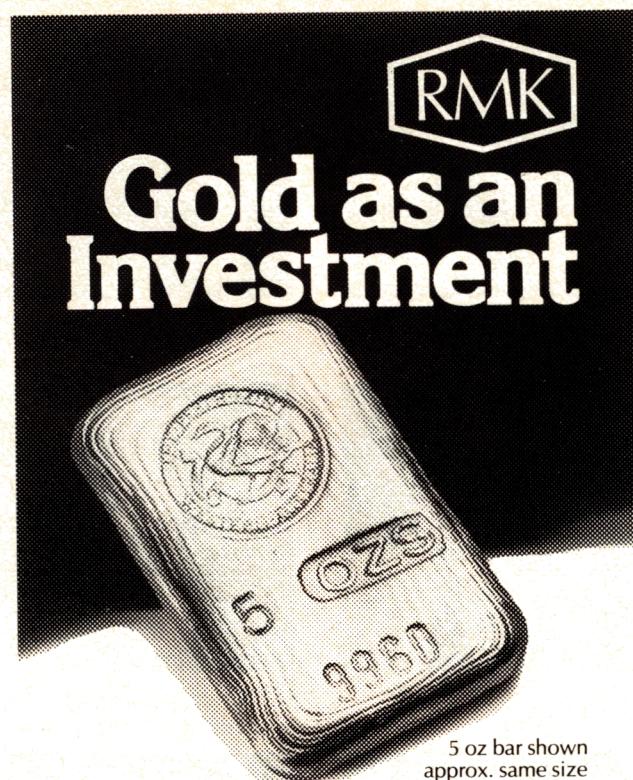
An interesting point is that second (27 champions) and third (25) foals are more likely to develop into champions than any other order of foalings.

Mares' first foals had only nine of the 100 champions.

So, at a quick run through of Mr. Pring's findings, it might pay to buy a yearling whose dam was 9 or 10 when she produced him.

It would be even better if it is the second or third foal of the mare or if the yearling is from the sire's third crop.

Your champion chances would also improve more if the sire was 8 or 9 when the yearling was foaled.

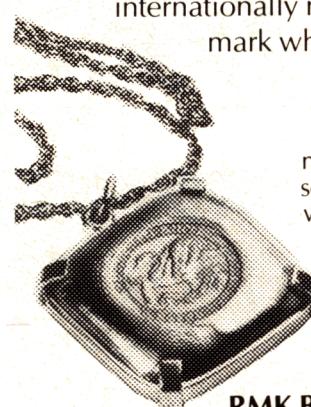


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Some of the Bowling contingent waiting for the draw.

## 13th TURF BOWLER'S CARNIVAL

by Fuzz Porter

On Sunday 19th February all roads led to Sydney, when bowling members of Tattersall's Melbourne, the Victorian Club, the Canberra Club, Adelaide Democratic Club, Brisbane Tattersall's, Newcastle Tattersall's and Sydney City Tattersall's arrived in Sydney to contest the 13th Annual Turf Bowlers Association Carnival, which this year was hosted by our Club. When all were accounted for we reported an attendance of 189 (138 men, 51 women). All were welcomed in the evening by the Chairman of Tattersall's Club Mr. Jim Comans who expressed his pleasure and delight in doing so in our own Club — the second occasion since its founding that the Club had opened its doors on a Sunday. I was happy to be able to support him for this function is one of the highlights of these Carnivals as it is marked by the meeting of old friends and the introduction of new friends. I think we can claim that this is one of the happiest and most successful functions that the Club has organised.

The first day's play was scheduled for Double Bay and in spite of our worries re transport Club Members turned out in force with their cars and our troubles in this regard were over. A special word of thanks to those concerned and to City Tattersall's who gave us their help in this regard. A sad note was the fact that Homer Jones who was arranging our transport had been suddenly admitted to hospital but before the Carnival ended we were happy to know he was well enough to leave hospital.

Double Bay President Bill Davey welcomed us to his Club on the opening day and the Chairman of Tattersall's Club (Mr. J. Comans) officially opened the Carnival with a speech which convinced us that he knew a little more about Bowls and our Carnivals than we had ever imagined. Three games of 15 ends were played on the first day and we were drawn against the Victorian Club in the first game. We were successful on 3 rinks. The skippers Lou Malouf, Tim Anderson, Harold Hill 6 points for this game. In the second game against Newcastle the

gods did not smile and we were only successful on 1 rink, losing on 1 and tying on the third to lose on the aggregate. (1½ points) The third game against Canberra saw a return to form with our win on all 3 rinks. (6 points once more.) At the end of the first day the leaders were Brisbane 18 points, City Tattersall's 16½ points, Sydney Tattersall's 13½ points.

The second day's play (Tuesday) was at Coogee Club. This time we were welcomed by President Cliff Jones.

There were 2 games of 21 ends each and in the first we met Melbourne Tatts. who had lost their first 3 games. However we were white washed, losing on all 3 rinks and dropping back in the field. We were further discomforted in the second game against our friends (?) from City Tattersall's — the best we could do was tie on one rink. At the end of the second day the leaders were Brisbane (unbeaten) 30 points, City Tattersall's 27 points, Newcastle 17½.

The third day saw us back at Double Bay — again 2 games of 21 ends. We were not very happy as Lou Malouf and Harold Hill (skippers) and Jack McKell were missing from the line up, and we were drawn against Brisbane who were unbeaten. Joe Johnstone and Peter McGrath were the new skippers and to everyone's surprise we won on 2 rinks and on the aggregate to pick up 5 points to 1 by Brisbane.

In the final game of the Carnival we won against Adelaide with a further 5 points while City Tattersall's defeated Brisbane and the bowling section of the Carnival was over.

Final Points: Sydney City Tatts. 38; Brisbane 32; Sydney Tatts. 24; Newcastle 24; Canberra 17½; Melbourne Tatts. 17; Adelaide 14; Victorian Club 2.

The Carnival wound up with a dinner for 180 at Tattersall's Club. As City Tatts had won the trophy in Brisbane it fell to my lot to offer my congratulations to them on repeating the win in Sydney and thus retaining the trophy.

These Carnivals just don't happen for there is a great deal of work and organisation to be done. Those attending have to be accommodated, transported, catered for and entertained apart from the bowling. Those I would like to thank for their help — to Wal Browne, Bill Hetherington, Ted Davis for looking after the cards and posting the result board, most helpful and greatly appreciated. To all who helped in the transport with their cars and in this I include City Tatts. To those who subscribed and attended but did not have the pleasure of rolling

a Bowl — Keith Manion, Frank Hidden, Ken Williams, Sol Green, Hyam Owen and Bill Hetherington (I hope I haven't missed anyone).

On Wednesday 22nd — the rest day — we were able to arrange a party to attend the races at Randwick, 80 availed themselves of the opportunity to visit the course and reports are that most showed a profit on the day.

Before concluding I feel I have overlooked the people who catered for us. With the exception of Coogee the catering for the opening night, the closing dinner and the games at Double Bay the catering staff at Tattersall's were responsible and we deeply appreciate the help from the kitchen staff and those who attended in the Dining Room.

Finally and more particularly to Peter McGrath, the work horse of the show, without whose help I feel sure the Carnival would not have got off the ground, and if it had it would have been due for a rocky flight. Many thanks Peter.

The next Carnival is scheduled for Melbourne Tatts. in 1979 and for Newcastle Tatts. the following year 1980.

I would like to remind members of a future fixture which is set down for Tuesday 18th April. This will be held at Gosford, will begin at 12.30 and is our annual game against Newcastle Tattersall's.

## RACING CALENDAR

### APRIL

*Australian Jockey Club (Randwick)	Sat. 1st
Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill)	Wed. 5th
Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury)	Sat. 8th
Australian Jockey Club (Randwick)	Wed. 12th
Australian Jockey Club (Randwick)	Sat. 15th
Sydney Turf Club Canterbury)	Wed. 19th
Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill)	Sat. 22nd
+Australian Jockey Club (Randwick)	Tues. 25th
Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury)	Wed. 26th
Australian Jockey Club Warwick Farm)	Sat. 29th
*(SYDNEY CUP WEEK)	
†(ANZAC DAY MEETING)	

### MAY

Newcastle Jockey Club (Newcastle)	Wed. 3rd
Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill)	Sat. 6th
Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury)	Wed. 10th
Australian Jockey Club (Warwick Farm)	Sat. 13th
Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill)	Monday 15th
Australian Jockey Club (Randwick)	Wed. 17th
Sydney Turf Club (Rosehill)	Sat. 20th
Sydney Turf Club (Canterbury)	Wed. 24th
Australian Jockey Club (Warwick Farm)	Sat. 27th
Gosford Race Club (Gosford)	Wed. 31st

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## SKI CLUB

by Basil Phillips

The U.S.A. is having an almost record cold winter this year. After 6 weeks work in Europe we arrived in New York in time for the second heavy snowfall which was the worst snow-storm in New York for 35 years. It was quite a sight to see people on cross country skis in Park Avenue, mid-city. People emerging from the subways wearing ski parkas, hoods and gloves. All this made us keen to try the slopes in Colorado again so after completing our business in the eastern states we arrived at Aspen for six days skiing.

Aspen has four main ski areas as follows:-

1. Buttermilk: A free bus service takes skiers from the centre of the Aspen township to this area about four miles out of town; it is mainly for beginners and intermediate skiers. The queues were almost non existent. The snow very dry. The base of the Buttermilk mountain is 7,400 ft. above sea level and the top of the chair lift is 9,400' so a vertical rise of 2,000'. It has 375 acres of runs up to two miles long. The Tilpack area here is for advanced/expert skiers. There are 40 miles of rolling trails and the mountain is used as a training ground by many competitive skiers. It has 5 double chair lifts, one T-bar and pony lift giving it a capacity of moving 6,300 skiers per hour. Any visitor should spend their first day here to "get their legs".

2. Snowmass: Served by free buses also. I would say this is not only the best known but also the most popular ski area in Aspen. Details are 375 acres of runs, up to 3½ miles long with a vertical rise of 3,500 feet to an altitude of 11,750 feet. This is truly the most magnificent ski area I have ever experienced. Dry snow, deep, average annual snow fall 300". Uphill capacity of 12,550 skiers per hour. Slopes from intermediate - advanced to expert.

One can't help but be grateful to the Americans who are always so interested in Australia, courteous, helpful and highly organised so that no slopes are left full of mogules. There are teams grooming the slopes continuously. In fact we met so many

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There will soon be another way to lose your shirt in the gamblers' paradise of Macao.

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For those punters with enough money left after trips to the Portuguese territory's four casinos and its greyhound track, there will be the added attraction of 400 pacers and high-stepping trotters from Australia and New Zealand battling for honours.

Today the 1,000-metre track is a dusty bowl of rumbling trucks.

But by early 1979 the 6,000-seat grandstand on the outlying island of Taipa should echo to the cheers of eager racing fans.

Gambling is a passion for the Chinese who flock here from surrounding areas. The people behind the US\$17 million (A\$14,960,000) trotting project are convinced the venture will pay off.

Harness racing is popular in the United States, Canada, continental Europe and Australia, but the rules of the sport will have to be spelled out to the would-be Asian enthusiast.

For the gamblers who bet millions of dollars a year at Hong Kong's flat racing track of Happy Valley, in harness is revolutionary.

The horses are restricted to a particular gait and those who break into a gallop have to be pulled up until they can get into the gait again.

This will all have to be explained in detail to the uninitiated Oriental punter, so the trotting track owners plan an onslaught of television films and newspaper articles in a big publicity build-up a few months before the course opens.

The track owners have sought advice from international experts like Australian breeder and Tattersall's Club Member Noel Simpson and Philadelphia trackowner and driver Delvin Miller.

At present the track owners are shopping around for pacers and trotters in Australia and New Zealand. "They'll be three to seven year-olds so owners can have them many years," the future administrative manager of the track, Tony Ip, said.

Hong Kong, which is opening a second flat racing track for gallopers on reclaimed land next year, has a system of balloting to ballot horses to prospective owners. Macao plans to do the same and to import all the animals itself.

Honest racing is a top priority and he said: "That's why we joined the World Trotting Association — trainers barred by us will be barred everywhere."

The track is less than 1.5 kms from China so any budding enthusiast in the People's Republic with a powerful pair of binoculars could presumably get a fine view across the water of a day at the races.

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Australians there that one American said "there must be no one left back in your country".

The Australian Junior Ski Team had been there the week before we arrived and defeated the local ski team in their races, which was a great surprise to everyone.

The scenery at the top is massive and incredible, we will never forget our visit.

**3. Aspen Mountain:** The chair lifts start at the very edge of the main Aspen shopping area. 600 acres of trails, vertical rise of 3,300' to 11,212'. Seven chair lifts with an uphill capacity of 6,575 skiers per hour. The slopes are mainly for advanced and expert skiers. If heights affect you don't go on the "Ajax" chair lift use the "Little Nell" lift.

**4. Aspen Highlands:** Very much like the Snowmass area but not as many facilities.

Any keen skier should make a serious attempt to have at least one snow holiday in this area during his lifetime. Many people said they preferred the Vail and Breckenridge areas to Aspen because they are closer settled and have more of a "village" atmosphere as we have here at Thredbo, Falls Creek, etc., but Aspen really has every possible slope to test and delight every skier. Cost? About the same as average Australian ski fields.

Arrangements have been made for a "mixed" week at Falls Creek and a "bucks" week at Perisher, details will be sent to members within 14 days.

If the Southern Hemisphere gets the same winter as the North this year we have a great snow season coming.

The Ski Club activities are open to all members of Tattersall's Club so if you haven't already tried a snow holiday this could be the year to have it. Simply write to the Ski Club at Tattersall's and we will notify you of all the details of our snow holiday.

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# GOLF

## TATTERSALL'S GOLF CLUB ENJOY A MANLY DAY

by Seagull

The weather was perfect and the course in great shape for the opening day of this year's calendar at Manly on Thursday 16th March. Only 43 players including 13 visitors, were placed in the hands of the starter, but scoring generally was better than normal. The happiness was evident on this fine day.

The members singles was won by the old "pro" Bob Swinbourne with 39 stableford points, closely followed by Phil Byrnes with 37. John McLean and Rod Fisher had 35 and Dick Scott and Neil Steglitz 34. In the visitors singles, John McLean's visitor Brian Simpson won running away with 37 points from Roger Bortfield with 35 and Tony Dight a long way away in third place with 30.

In the 4-ball Rod Fisher and Roger Bortfield got the verdict in the tightest of finishes from Neil Steglitz and Perc Edwards, both pairs having 47 points. The count-back went to the last six holes, Rod and Roger having 16 points to Neil and Perc's 15.

We don't run a Bradman, but Rob Elvey got a ball for 14 points.

Celebrations went on well into the night until the shutters came down at midnight. Many thanks to Manly for their fine hospitality and those who attended have already signed up for championship day at the end of the year. Our next day is at Royal Sydney on Friday 21st April and we would like to see an attendance record. This of course lies squarely on the shoulders of members and visitors are more than welcome. Make a phone call now to one of your member mates and arrange a day out at one of Sydney's finest golf courses.

### GOLF PROGRAMME FOR '78

Royal Sydney	Friday 21/4/78
Killara	Thursday 15/6/78
Avondale	Wednesday 19/7/78
Australian	Thursday 7/9/78
Pymble	Tuesday 17/10/78
Manly	Thursday 30/11/78

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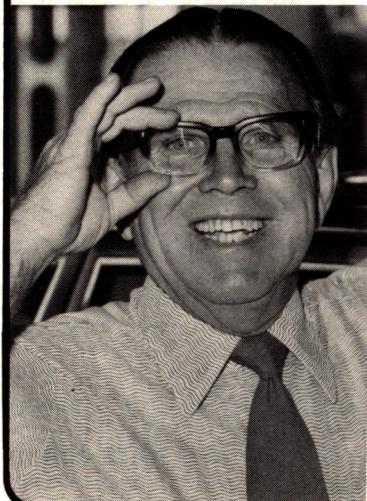
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# Pool Splashes



by Sam Block

## PETER (RIVER) DERWENT STARS IN JANUARY POINT SCORE

Hero of the January Point Score was Peter Derwent who swam along in a fast current which took him to the front in the monthly and got himself amongst the top notchers by registering 21.5 for the 40 yards course.

Peter is very keen, but will find it a wee bit difficult until that handicapper bloke gives him a break.

Peter finished with a score of 29 points, unlucky John Nicholas in second place with 26, whilst triple dead heaters John Keating, John McCosker and Doug Ferris were a further three points astern.

Ted Joye is grimly hanging on to his lead in the Silver Sharpe Trophy with a score of 102 from Doug Ferris 100, the rest of the field is headed by John Nicholas, 79½, with the next dozen all within ten points of each other. The next few weeks should help to clarify the leading contenders but the result would still be hard to pick as the leaders are now back on their best marks.

Adrian Abbott is to the fore in the February Point Score from Jack Langsworth and Doug Ferris, followed by John Ward, Tal Duckmanton and Danny O'Connor, one event to be completed.

If there's one race more popular than another in the Pool, it's a Race Relay, for such contests have always handed the onlookers more than their share of thrills, but it is seldom the class swimmers fight out the last lap of a relay, so it was no wonder that on Thursday 23rd February, soup, pies and tea were left to get cold, luncheons forgotten as Doug Ferris, Hugh Keller and Michael McCormack flashed up and down the laps in a hair raising battle.

The honours went to Max Sernack and Michael McCormack from Terry Forrest and Bruce Upcroft with Doug Ferris in the third spot.

You can't keep a good man down especially when he is the Club Champion. The handicapper has spent many sleepless nights trying to think out schemes to keep Doug from winning practically every event he starts in, but all to no effect, his electrifying finish seems to paralyse all his opponents.

There is always someone prepared to cry on my shoulder, could always depend on "last again" Col Bowes, but he has lost his place to that exercise minded Gordon Salier (must have a

heart to heart talk with that handicap bloke about Gordon).

Adrian Abbott is sprinting very well at the moment, only beaten a touch by former champion Bryan Mortensen in a thrilling finish.

Nice to have handsome Bill Richards back with us, nearly scored a win first up.

John E. McDermott registered his return with a fine performance, assisted by Hugh Keller in a devastating win in a relay.

Terry Gathercole dashed over a few laps of the Pool prior to leaving for the Australian Championships in Brisbane.

Must offer my apologies omitting Bob Rowland Smith for his generous donation to the Christmas Scramble.

Fastest winning times were D. Ferris 18.6, 19.2, 19.4; R. Farrell 19.2, 19.6; Hugh Keller 19.4, 20, 20.4; W. Hannan 20.3; J. Nicholas 20.4 and B. Mortensen 20.4 secs.

## RESULTS

**24.1.78 80 Yards Brace Relay Final:** I. Foulsham & D. Ferris, **31.1.78 40 Yards Handicap 1st Final:** J. McCosker & B. Duncan. Dead Heat First. **2nd Final:** J. Barker, **3rd Final:** H. Keller & D. Ferris. Dead Heat. **7.2.78 80 Yards Brace Relay 1st Final:** J. Langsworth & T.J. Ward **2nd Final:** A. Abbott & T. Forrest. **14.2.78 40 Yards Handicap 1st Final:** T. Duckmanton, **2nd Final:** D. Castle, **3rd Final:** P. Carroll & R. Farrell. Dead Heat. **4th Final:** A. Abbott. **21.2.78 80 Yards Brace Relay 1st Final:** T.J. Ward & M. Frawley, **2nd Final:** M. Sernack & M. McCormick.

**January Point Score** resulted as follows: P. Derwent 29, J. Nicholas 26, J. Keating 23, J. McCosker 23, D. Ferris 23, H. Keller 19½, K. Gross 19, D. O'Connor 18, G. Salier 17, B. Mortenson 16½, J.L. Bowes 16, G. McRoberts 16, R. Tobias 16, T. Joye 15, M. McCormick 15.

**Silver Sharpe Trophy** all points to. 23.2.78. Ted Joye 102, D. Ferris 100, J. Nicholas 79½, G. Salier 78, D. Castle 76, D. O'Connor 74½, W. Orme 71½, D. Bruce 71, G. McRobert 71, R. Tobias 70½, T.J. Ward 69, S. McAllum 66, J. Connolly 66, M. Frawley 65, K. Finn 63.

**Tom Powell Trophy** the leaders are: Ted Joye 6½, G. McRobert 6, J. Barker 6, J. Nicholas 5½, D. Ferris 5½, S. McAllum 5, D. Castle 5, H. Keller 4½, A. Abbott 4, P. Derwent 4, K. Cross 3½, B. Duncan 3½, R. Farrell 3½ 3½, F.L. Bowes 3½, D. O'Connor 3½.

**February Point Score** one event to be completed. A. Abbott 22, D. Ferris 19, J. Langsworth 19, T.J. Ward 18, T. Duckmanton 17½, D. O'Connor 17½, D. Castle 16, C. Coppa 15, B. Holmes 15, C. Griffiths 15.

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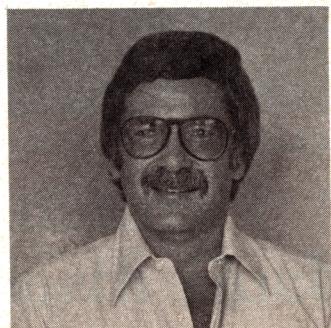
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